TABLE 4.16: INJURY BY RESTRAINT FOR CRASHES WHERE AIRBAGS DEPLOYED, 1999-2003

Restraint	FATAL		SERIOUS		MINOR*		NONE	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Lap Belt Only	5	14.7%	35	20.3%	127	12.5%	120	9.5%
Shoulder Belt Only	1	2.9%	4	2.3%	86	8.5%	80	6.3%
Lap & Shoulder Belts	15	44.1%	103	59.9%	709	69.9%	1,007	79.4%
No Belts	13	38.2%	30	17.4%	92	9.1%	62	4.9%
TOTAL	34	100.0%	172	100.0%	1,014	100.0%	1,269	100.0%
*Note: "minor" includes noninc Unknown injuries are excluded		and possible inj	uries.					

The majority of crashes in which air bags deployed and lap and shoulder belts were in use resulted in minor or no injuries, as would be expected. However, the proportion of fatal and serious injury crashes in which lap and shoulder belts were used was relatively high, perhaps reflecting the overall severity of the crash. Almost 92% of persons in crashes where an airbag deployed received minor or no injuries.

Note: Airbag data were unavailable for 2004, 2005, 2006.

